

# Senate Republican Poverty Alleviation Agenda

## Empowering Families in Need



**Charitable Giving/CARE Act:** Boost charitable giving and assist faith-based and community charities to help millions more people in need.

**Welfare Reform Reauthorization:** Build on the success of welfare reform to free more people from the cycle of welfare dependency by expanding work opportunity and strengthening families.

**Hunger Relief:** Promote incentives to encourage food donation and delivery.

**Individual Development Accounts:** Provide low-income, working Americans the opportunity to build assets through matched savings accounts.

**Work Opportunity Tax Credit/Welfare-to-Work:** Help welfare recipients find jobs that transition them from dependence to self-sufficiency.

**Low-income Housing Assistance:** Encourage the rehabilitation and construction of affordable housing and consider GSE reforms to help low-income families.

**Faith-based as Full Partners:** Ensure faith-based organizations have a level playing field to compete for federal grants to deliver essential social services.

**Prisoner Reentry/Mentoring:** Help those forgotten in the nation's prisons and their children by providing more support and facilitating a healthy reentry into society.

**Charitable Liability Reform:** Provide liability protections for businesses and individuals that make equipment and facilities available for charitable purposes.

**Vouchers:** Create a commission to develop proposals on expanding choice for beneficiaries to improve options and social service delivery for those in need.

**Family Opportunity Act:** Expand eligibility under the Medicaid program to help low-income families obtain services their severely disabled children need.

**Marriage Penalty Relief/Child Tax Credit:** Permanently eliminate the unfair tax burden on married couples and make permanent the child tax credit to reduce child poverty.